

Paris
30 March 1963

Dear Jim:

I have received a generally affirmative answer to my letter to our friend on P Street. He and I think we can arrange some access to material that might be interesting and we would do so in the interest of having the story fully covered and the material dealt with in a responsible manner.

Our friend thinks that he himself could furnish some fairly well-informed speculations concerning the attitude and reactions of the Yugoslavs which were highly significant. He hopes, incidentally, that you will not fail to give to Krishna Menon the accolade which he so fully earned and so well deserved as the principal stalking-horse and running-dog for the Russians in the arena of the United Nations. On that item also he would take great pleasure in providing some particulars.

In order to line up the necessary material it would help if you could draw up some sort of fairly specific prospectus of the requirements for information. As you know, it is much easier to get answers to specific requests than it is to obtain anything as a result of a request for anything bearing on a subject.

It has no doubt occurred to you that our Ambassador here would be capable of providing some unique insights, although it is always possible that he may be saving the more unique ones for his own Memoirs.

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With this first green light I think we could be of some assistance, but it would be very helpful if you could let me have a list of requirements.

Best wishes for work on the present book and I hope the weather is as delightful there as it has been here for the last two days. No weather for working.

Sincerely,